# Title 440 - Conservation Programs Manual Wetlands Reserve Program

#### Exhibit 514.89

#### **WRP Monitoring Checklist**

The purpose of monitoring is to ensure compliance with easement requirements, evaluate restoration progress, determine what repairs or enhancements are needed to ensure maximum wetland/wildlife benefits, and to maintain contact with landowner. Staff familiar with wetland restoration, management and wildlife should collect the information. Partners with technical expertise should participate in monitoring activities. Monitoring is conducted annually. At least once every three years the reviewers must visit the site.

Review Date	Landowner	_
Contract Number	Name	_
Reviewer(s)		
Take photograph from designa	ated photo points when doing on-site monitoring	
Has ownership changed? Yes with new owner? Yes No	No If yes, were easement requirements reviewed	d
Was landowner present during	g this review? Yes No	
· ·	marked and identifiable? Yes No If no, what ondition of easement boundary markings at least on	
Are easement conditions being Yes No <i>If no, describe and do</i>	g met (no encroachment, dumping, cropping, etc.)?  ocument with photographs.	•
Are compatible use authorizati corrective measures.	tions being followed? Yes No If no, describe and	! list
Is planned hydrology present?	Yes No If no, what actions are needed? Comple	ete

Are objectives of the migratory bird (i.e., shorebirds, waterfowl, neotropical songbirds) program being achieved (adequate hydrology at the appropriate time, nesting cover, etc.)? Yes No If no, what modifications are necessary? Complete the Practice & Cost Worksheet.

If Threatened and Endangered species were part of selection criteria, have their habitat elements been restored? Yes No If no, what modifications are necessary? Complete the Practice & Cost Worksheet.

Are planned vegetation restoration goals being achieved? (e.g., desired vegetation being established, control of invasive or noxious species) Yes No If no, what modifications are necessary? Complete the Practice & Cost Worksheet. If noxious weeds are present, remind landowners of their responsibility as identified in the Warranty Easement Deed, Part IIB, Noxious plants and pests. Offer to provide assistance to develop and approve a plan to control the noxious plants or pests.

Are restoration practices being properly operated and maintained? Yes No If no, what maintenance is needed? Complete the Practice & Cost Worksheet.

Are there opportunities to enhance wildlife habitat components? Yes No If yes, identify and complete the Practice & Cost Worksheet?

Does the landowner have any concerns or suggestions for improving the easement? Yes No If yes, describe concerns.

Identify concerns or suggestions from partners involved with restoring and managing the easement area.

### **Additional Observations**

## **Practice and Cost Worksheet**

Practice	Practice Code	Specific Need	Amount/Acres	Cost